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**COMMUNICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.116
EXPEDITED PROSECUTION - GROUP ART UNIT 1651**

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PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:)
: Examiner: S.M. Hanley
TAKASHI KENMOKU ET AL.)
: Group Art Unit: 1651
Application No.: 10/531,572)
: Confirmation No. 2325
Int'l Application No. PCT/JP03/13530)
: Filed: October 23, 2003)
: For: NEW)
POLYHYDROXYALKANOATE :
COMPRISING UNIT HAVING)
(PHENYLMETHYL)OXY :
STRUCTURE ON SIDE CHAIN)
THEREOF, AND METHOD FOR :
PRODUCING THE SAME) September 19, 2008

Commissioner for Patents
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RESPONSE AFTER FINAL REJECTION

Sir:

A. Introductory Comments

In response to the final Office Action dated July 2, 2008 in the above-captioned application, please consider the following remarks.

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